

## Department of Defense

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### 242.7502 Policy.

Contractors receiving cost-reimbursement or incentive type contracts, or contracts which provide for progress payments based on costs or on a percentage or stage of completion, shall maintain an accounting system and related internal controls throughout contract performance which provide reasonable assurance that—

- (a) Applicable laws and regulations are complied with;
- (b) The accounting system and cost data are reliable;
- (c) Risk of misallocations and mischarges are minimized; and
- (d) Contract allocations and charges are consistent with invoice procedures.

### 242.7503 Procedures.

(a) Upon receipt of an audit report identifying significant accounting system or related internal control deficiencies, the ACO will—

- (1) Provide a copy of the report to the contractor and allow 30 days, or a reasonable extension, for the contractor to respond;
- (2) If the contractor agrees with the report, the contractor has 60 days from the date of initial notification to correct any identified deficiencies or submit a corrective action plan showing milestones and actions to eliminate the deficiencies.
- (3) If the contractor disagrees, the contractor should provide rationale in its written response.
- (4) The ACO will consider whether it is appropriate to suspend a percentage of progress payments or reimbursement of costs proportionate to the estimated cost risk to the Government, considering audit reports or other relevant input, until the contractor submits a corrective action plan acceptable to the ACO and corrects the deficiencies. (See FAR 32.503-6 (a) and (b) and FAR 42.302(a)(7)).

## PART 243—CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS

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### Subpart 243.1—General

#### 243.102 Policy.

- (b)(i) See subpart 217.74 for limitations on issuing undefinitized contract actions.
- (ii) Modifications of letter contracts are subject to the same policies and procedures as modifications of definitive contracts.

#### 243.105 Availability of funds.

- (a)(i) 10 U.S.C. 2405 prohibits adjustments in price under a shipbuilding contract entered into after December 7, 1983, for a claim, request for equitable adjustment, or demand for payment under the contract, arising out of events occurring more than 18 months before submission of the claim, request, or demand.
- (ii) In accordance with 10 U.S.C. 983, do not provide funds by contract or contract modification, or make contract payments, to an institution of higher education that has a policy or practice of hindering Senior Reserve Officer Training Corps units or military recruiting on campus as described at 209.470.

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#### 243.107 Contract clause.

For DoD, the *specifically authorized representative* (SAR) referred to in the clause at FAR 52.243-7, Notification of

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Changes, is a *contracting officer's representative* as defined in 202.101 and as discussed in subpart 201.6.

### 243.107-70 Notification of substantial impact on employment.

The Secretary of Defense is required to notify the Secretary of Labor if a modification of a major defense contract or subcontract will have a substantial impact on employment. The clause prescribed at 249.7002(c) requires that the contractor notify the contracting officer when a contract modification will have a substantial impact on employment.

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### 243.170 Identification of foreign military sale (FMS) requirements.

Identify contract modifications that add FMS requirements by clearly marking "FMS Requirement" on the front. Within the modification, cite each FMS case identifier code by line/subline item number, e.g., FMS Case Identifier GY-D-DCA.

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### 243.171 Obligation or deobligation of funds.

For each contract modification, the contracting officer shall identify, in Section G, Contract Administration Data (Uniform Contract Format), or the contract schedule (Simplified Contract Format), under the heading "Summary for the Payment Office," information sufficient to permit the paying office to readily identify the changes for each contract line and subline item as follows—

(a) The amount of funds obligated by prior contract actions, to include the total cost and fee if a cost-type contract; the target fee at time of contract award if a cost-plus-incentive-fee contract; the base fee if a cost-plus-award-fee contract; or the target price and target profit if a fixed-price incentive contract;

(b) The amount of funds obligated or deobligated by the instant modification, categorized by the types of contracts specified in paragraph (a) of this section; and

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(c) The total cumulative amount of obligated or deobligated funds, categorized by the types of contracts specified in paragraph (a) of this section.

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## Subpart 243.2—Change Orders

### 243.204 Administration.

(b) *Definitization.* The administrative contracting officer (ACO) must review change orders issued by the contracting officer to ensure compatibility with the status of performance. If the contractor has progressed beyond the effective point specified in the change order, the ACO must determine the earliest practical point at which the change order could be made effective and advise the contracting officer. The contracting officer must issue another change order to correct, revise, or supersede the first change order, then definitize by supplemental agreement citing both change orders.

### 243.204-70 Certification of requests for equitable adjustment.

(a) A request for equitable adjustment to contract terms that exceeds the simplified acquisition threshold may not be paid unless the contract certifies the request in accordance with the clause at 252.243-7002.

(b) The aggregate amount of both the increased and decreased costs shall be used in determining when the dollar threshold requiring certification is met (see example in FAR 15.403-4(a)(1)(iii)).

(c) The certification required by 10 U.S.C. 2410(a), as implemented in the clause at 252.243-7002, is different from the certification required by the Contract Disputes Act of 1978 (41 U.S.C. 605(c)). If the contractor has certified a request for equitable adjustment in accordance with 10 U.S.C. 2410(a), and desires to convert the request to a claim under the Contract Disputes Act, the contractor shall certify the claim in accordance with FAR Subpart 33.2.

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